

line 10, delete "the" and insert therefor --a--;

line 21, delete "orchestrates" and insert therefor --orchestrating--.

Claim 3, line 27, after "not," insert --and--.

Claim 5, line 3, after "passport" insert --and--.

Claim 6, line 9, delete "as to".

Claim 14, line 2, delete "transaction" and insert therefor --transactions--;

line 12, delete "transaction" and insert therefor --transactions--;

line 25, delete "to" (second occurrence) and insert therefor --on--;

line 28, after "and" insert --the-- and after "passport" insert --previously--;

line 29, delete "previously prepared".

Claim 16, line 3, after "passport" insert --and--.

Claim 17, line 9, delete "as to".

Claim 21, line 5, delete "cash and change" and insert therefor -- bills and coins--.

26. (Amended) A passport transaction method applicable to a system in which a system is

connected via a communication line to a center for providing data for issuance of a certificate to an applicant and executing examination for issuance of a passport for processing passport [transaction]

transactions via [by ways of] communication with the center, said method comprising:

a first step of inputting data for checking an applicant;

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a second step of accessing said center and determining whether the applied for passport is to be issued or not by using the data [inputting] inputted in the first step;

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a third step of inputting, when it is determined in the second step that the applied for passport is to be issued, an image of the applicant; and

a fourth step of printing the image of the applicant and contents of description on the passport inputting in the third step onto passport paper previously prepared, and issuing the passport obtained by printing.

Claim 27, line 1, delete "apparatus" and insert therefor --method--;

line 8, after "applied" insert --for--;

line 12, after "applied" insert --for--.

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Claim 28, line 8, delete "transaction" and insert therefor --transactions--;

line 30, after "applied" insert --for--;

line 32, delete "o" and insert therefor --of--;

line 31, after "passport" insert --printed--;

1.E. line 37, after "applied" insert --for--.

Claim 31, line 5, delete "cash and changes" and insert therefor --bills and coins--.

33. (Amended) A passport transaction system comprising:

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a first center having a first database with data required for issuance of certificates for applicants registered therein;

a second center for registering data for issuance of passports in a second database and also executing examination for issuance of passports; and

at least one passport transaction [apparatuses] apparatus each connected via a communication line to the first and second centers for processing passport [transaction] transactions [by] for communicating with the first and second centers; wherein said passport transaction apparatus comprises:

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a communication unit for communicating with the first and second centers;

an image input unit for inputting an image of an applicant for a passport;

a display unit for providing guidance with displays of contents of procedure for passport [transaction] transactions;

a data input unit for inputting data for passport [transactions] transactions according to the contents of procedure displayed on the displayed unit;

a printing unit for printing the image inputted by the image input unit and contents of description of the passport onto passport paper previously prepared;

an issuing unit for issuing a passport obtained by printing with the printing unit; and

a control unit for providing controls over communication by the communication unit, image input by the image input unit, displays by the display unit, data input by the data input unit, and

issuance of passports by the issuing unit; while the control unit accesses the first and second centers respectively using the communication unit, verifies an applicant for a passport according to the data inputted with the data input unit, makes determination as to whether an applied for passport is to be issued or not, and when it is determined that the applied for passport is to be issued, has the image of the applicant inputted by the image input unit and contents of description on the passport printed with the printing unit onto passport paper previously prepared and also has the passport obtained by printing issued with the issuing unit;

the first center verifies the data inputted by the data input unit according to a request for verification of an applicant for passport from the passport transaction apparatus to the first database by way of communication with the communication unit and returns a [replay] reply according to a result of verification as to whether the applicant is [true] the person he claims to be or not; and

the second center verifies the data inputted by the data input unit according to a request from the passport transaction apparatus by way of communicating with the communication unit to the second database and returns a [replay] reply according to a result of verification as to whether the applied for passport is to be issued or not.

Claim 36, line ⁵~~15~~, delete "cash and changes" and insert therefor --bills and coins--.